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OF

National Society of United States Daughters of Eighteen Hundred and Twelve

As Amended to April, 1915

General Society Organized January 8, 1892

NATIONAL SOCIETY

Incorporated by Act of United States Congress as approved by President McKinley on February Twenty-fifth, Nineteen Hundred and One

AS AMENDED APRIL, 1930

ARTICLE I—Section 7—By-Laws.

The Daughters of the men who rendered service in the War of Eighteen Hundred and Twelve shall be known as "Real Daughters."

They shall be exempt from the payment of initiation fees, annual dues and News-Letter fees; and States shall not be liable to the National Society for said fees and dues. ***April, 1930.***

ARTICLE II—Section 6—By-Laws.

The first and third vice-presidents national, recording secretary national, treasurer national and historian national shall be elected in the even calendar years. ***April, 1930.***

ARTICLE VI

Fees and Dues—By-Laws

Sec. 1. The initiation fee for all applicants for membership, other than "Real Daughters" in this society shall be two dollars. ***April, 1930.***

Sec. 2. The annual dues of adult members, other than "Real Daughters," shall be two dollars and of junior members, under eighteen years of age, one dollar, in addition to such other amounts as may be fixed by vote of the states or chapters, one dollar of the adult dues and fifty cents of junior dues shall be paid the national society by the state societies, as per capita dues. ***April, 1930.***

Members-at-Large, other than "Real Daughters" shall pay the entire amount of annual dues to the national society. ***April, 1930.***

Sec. 3. Each member, other than "Real Daughters," shall pay to the national society, either directly or through her state organization, thirty cents per annum to assist in defraying the expenses of the News-Letter. ***April, 1930.***

CONSTITUTION

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National Society of United States Daughters of 1812

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FOUNDER.

Mrs. Flora Adams Darling

OFFICERS, 1914-1915.

President, Mrs. William Gerry Slade.....New York
First V. Pres., Miss M. Louise Edge.....New Jersey
Sec. V. Pres., Miss Martha Treat Douglas..New York
Third V. Pres., Mrs. James Clarke Fisher...Virginia
Fourth V. Pres., Mrs. John M. Wilson.....Delaware
Rec. Sec., Mrs. Noyes D. Baldwin.....Connecticut
Cor. Sec., Mrs. Mathias Steelman.....New Jersey
Spec. Sec., Mrs. Geo. B. Wallis.....New York
Aud., Miss Emma Webster Powell.....Missouri
Treas., Mrs. Clarence F. R. Jenne.....Connecticut
Regis., Mrs. Calvin A. Troupe.....Maryland
Hist., Mrs. Katherine Braddock Barrow....Arkansas
Char. Trus., Mrs. Geo. B. Woodward (acting)..N. Y.
Curator, Mrs. Charlton Alexander.....Mississippi
Councillor, Mrs. William H. Hotchkin....New York
Legal Adv. and Parliamentarian, Mrs. B. L. Whitney

CHARTER TRUSTEES.

Mrs. William Gerry Slade (chairman).....New York
Mrs. George B. Woodward.....New York
Miss M. Louise Edge.....New Jersey
Mrs. B. L. Whitney.....Michigan
Mrs. Chas. Burt Tozier.....Ohio

HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENTS.

Mrs. Wm. Latta Nevin.....Pennsylvania
Mrs. Sullivan Johnson.....Pennsylvania
Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris Jones.....Ohio
Mrs. Russell Sage.....New York
Mrs. Truman H. Newberry.....Michigan
Mrs. George Mortimer.....Massachusetts
Mrs. John Abner Mead.....Vermont
Mrs. William Lindsay.....Kentucky
Mrs. D. Phoenix Ingraham.....New York
Mrs. James A. Garfield.....Ohio
Mrs. Felicite Gayuso deLomas Tennent....Louisiana
Mrs. William Reed.....Maryland
Mrs. John O. Norris.....Massachusetts
Mrs. George B. Wallis.....New York
Mrs. John M. Wilson.....Delaware
Mrs. J. Heron Crosman.....New York
Mrs. Philip Carpenter.....New York
Mrs. John B. Richardson.....Louisiana

These represent the States of Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, South Carolina, New Hampshire, Virginia, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Vermont, Kentucky, Tennessee and Louisiana, the eighteen States in the Union at the time of the War of 1812.

STATE PRESIDENTS.

(At time of sending to printer, April, 1915, in order of organization.)

New York.....Mrs. William Gerry Slade
Louisiana.....Mrs. Allen Rogers Bankstone
Michigan.....Mrs. James H. Campbell
Pennsylvania.....Miss Martha H. McInness
Maine.....Mrs. Geo. H. Walker
Ohio.....Mrs. Stella Hayes Jacobi
Maryland.....Mrs. James D. Iglehart
Wisconsin.....Mrs. Frank L. Vance (acting)
Vermont.....Mrs. Arthur Isham
Georgia.....Miss Nina Hornady
Missouri.....Miss Emma Webster Powell
New Jersey.....Mrs. Mathias Steelman
Colorado.....Mrs. Frank Wheaton
Delaware.....Mrs. Thos. C. Munn
Illinois.....Mrs. J. H. Stansfield
Texas.....Mrs. H. V. Lane
District of Columbia.....Mrs. Kate Kearney Henry
Mississippi.....Mrs. Wm. D. Hurlburt
Connecticut.....Mrs. Clarence F. R. Jenne
Iowa.....Mrs. R. J. Johnstone
Arkansas.....Miss Stella Pickett Hardy
Virginia.....Mrs. Chas. C. Gibson
California.....Mrs. Geo. C. Dennis
Nebraska.....Mrs. John J. Stubbs
Tennessee.....Mrs. Wm. G. Spencer
Alabama.....Mrs. Harry T. Inge
Indiana.....Mrs. F. A. Morrison
Florida.....Miss Ella M. Rorabeck
Minnesota.....Mrs. Irene Cox Buell
North Carolina.....Mrs. Walter W. Watt
Kansas.....Mrs. Dudley E. Cornell
Oklahoma.....Mrs. Edward F. Johns
Massachusetts.....Miss Elizabeth C. Wood

ORGANIZING PRESIDENTS.

New Mexico.....Mrs. Singleton Ashenfelter
North Dakota.....Mrs. Edward V. Bassett
New Hampshire.....Mrs. Sarah M. Haley
West Virginia.....Mrs. Parks Fisher
South Carolina.....Mrs. Robt. Mixsen

CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Certificate
Bulletin
Emergency
Board Directors
Membership
.....Mrs. William Gerry Slade (New York)

Real Daughters Pins.....Miss M. Louise Edge, N. J.
Centenary Celebrations...Miss Emma Webster Powell
Records.....Mrs. B. L. Whitney
Purchasing Com.....Mrs. Geo. B. Wallis
Grave Markers.....Mrs. Calvin F. Troupe

CHAPTERS

(Order of Organization.)

1897	Dolly Madison	Pennsylvania
1899	Keystone	Pennsylvania
1900	Old Ironsides (given up)	Pennsylvania
1901	General Floyd	Georgia
1903	Peter Navarre	Ohio
1905	General Robert Patterson	Pennsylvania
1906	Stephen Decatur	Pennsylvania
1907	Oliver Hayward Perry	Texas
1908	Niagara Frontier Buffalo	New York
	Genl. John E. Wool	New York
	Nicholas Headington	Arkansas
	Com. Oliver Hazard Perry	New York
	Frigate Constitution	New York
	Col. Thos. Hinds	Mississippi
1909	Russell Lewis	Missouri
	Rebecca Wells Heald	Maryland
1910	Sims Kelly	Alabama
	John Craid Dodds	Alabama
	Commodore Woolsey	New York
	James Kearney	Missouri
1911	Andrew Jackson	New York
	Commodore Perry	Ohio
	Philip Schoff	Maryland
	General Andrew Jackson	Vermont
	Geo. Buckner Fant	Missouri
	Simon Bradford	Arkansas
	First Virginia	Virginia
	Dorothea Payne Madison	Virginia
	Commodore McDonough	Vermont
1912	Col. Luther Dixon	Vermont
	Northern Frontier	New York
	Capt. James Lawrence	New Jersey
	Fort Delaware (given up)	Delaware
	Fort Optlandt (given up)	Delaware
	Frances Scott Key	Iowa
	John Griffis	Missouri
	Commodore H. H. Cocke	Virginia
1913	Fort Defiance	Iowa
	Stephen McClure	Missouri
	Chalmette	Arkansas
1914	Lewis Cass	Colorado
	Col. Thos. Hart	Tennessee
	Gen'l. Benj. Mooer	New York
	Pushmataka	Oklahoma
1915	Octagon House	Alabama
	Century	New Jersey
	Lewis Ewing	Missouri
	Thomas Frestre	Missouri
	New Chapter	Texas
	Lewis Co. Chapter	New York

(PUBLIC—No. 86.)

An Act to incorporate the National Society of United States Daughters of Eighteen Hundred and Twelve.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Mrs. Flora Adams Darling, of New York; Mrs. William Gerry Slade, of New York; Mrs. Louis W. Hall, of Pennsylvania; Mrs. Edward Roby, of Illinois; Mrs. M. A. Ludin, of New York; Mrs. Le Roy Sunderland Smith, of New York; Miss Helen G. Bailey, of New Hampshire; Mrs. Alfred Russell, of Michigan; Mrs. William Lee, of Massachusetts; Mrs. William Tod Helmuth, of New York; Mrs. Nelson V. Titus, of Massachusetts, their associates and successors, are hereby created a body corporate and politic in the District of Columbia, by the name of the National Society of United States Daughters of Eighteen Hundred and Twelve, for patriotic, historical, educational and benevolent purposes, the objects of which are as follows: To perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men and women who were identified with the war of eighteen hundred and twelve, by publication of memoirs of famous women of the United States during that period, and the investigation, preservation and publication of authentic records of men in the military, naval and civil service of the United States during the said period; by making the society one of the factors of educational and patriotic progress, and by the promotion and erection of a house or home where the descendants of the zealous and brave patriots who achieved American independence, who have need of

such a home may be sheltered from the storms of life.

SEC. 2. That the said society is authorized to hold real and personal estate in the United States, so far only as may be necessary to its lawful ends, to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, and may adopt a constitution and make by-laws not inconsistent with law, and may adopt a seal.

SEC. 3. That Congress reserves the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act.

Approved, February 25, 1901.

CONSTITUTION.

(Amended to April, 1915).

ARTICLE I.

We, the descendants of those patriots who, during the period in our National History embraced by this Constitution, upheld the laws, and by force of arms, forever established American independence, do join together in a national corporate society, to be known as THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF UNITED STATES DAUGHTERS OF EIGHTEEN HUNDRED AND TWELVE, the purpose of which is to preserve by publication, the records of our ancestors, memorials and historical data relating to that period; to incite patriotism and love of country; to promote active and friendly intercourse between State societies,—being careful in all social and official acts not to discriminate as to politics, religion or locality, thus binding units into unity through FRATERNITY.

ARTICLE II.

OBJECTS.

SECTION 1. To publish memoirs of women of the United States famous for their patriotism, especially those of the period covered in our Eligibility List.

SEC. 2. To make this Society a factor of educational and patriotic progress by urging the United States Government, through an act of Congress, to compile and publish authentic records of men in military, naval and civil service from 1784 to 1815 inclusive; and by making it the duty of each State President to acquire and preserve documents and records of events for which her State is renowned,—

advise the Historian National of these, and of any existing historical data concerning her State during this period.

SEC. 3. To promote the establishing of a Home where the descendants of the brave patriots who achieved American Independence during that era of our National History commemorated by this Society, and who have need of such a Home, may be sheltered.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERSHIP AND ELIGIBILITY LIST.

SECTION 1. *Qualifications.* Any white woman over eighteen years of age, of good character, who offers satisfactory proof that she is a lineal descendant of an ancestor who rendered civil, military or naval service, or gave notable material aid to the army or navy during the War of 1812, or the period of the causes which led to that war (subsequent to the War of the Revolution) January 14, 1784, to November 2, 1815, may be eligible to membership, provided that the applicant be acceptable to the Society.

SEC. 2. Girls between ten and eighteen years of age may join this Society, and shall be called "Juniors." They shall be governed by the rules that govern all other members, except that they shall be debarred from holding office and from voting, until they have attained to the age of eighteen years.

SEC. 3. Applicants from unorganized States shall become members of the National Society, and by separate roll from the State roll and separate form of admission. These members will form the basis of State organization when that State becomes organized.

SEC. 4. Members from organized States who, for any specific reason, may not join the State in which they reside, but are eligible, may be entered on the National roll as mem-

bers at large, on presentation of the required credentials and fees and dues, providing the State Board approves of such admission.

SEC. 5. The active membership of the National Society shall consist of members from unorganized States, members at large from organized States who have been entered on the National roll, and all those members of organized States who have received a National number from the National Society, except honorary members. *No honorary member shall hold active office of any kind whatsoever. But an honorary officer may be an active member, if eligible to active membership.* Every one who has complied with the rules of admission shall join the Society of the State in which she resides, and shall have a number in the National Society, providing, always, that the applicant be accepted by the State and the National Society."

SEC. 6. Honorary members and officers may be added by vote of the Executive Board.

SEC. 7. Applications for membership shall be made in writing upon the blanks provided by the National Society for that purpose. No application shall be considered unless accompanied by the initiation fee and dues, and endorsed by two well known persons, who, if not members of this Society, must accompany their signatures with letters, stating a satisfactory personal acquaintance with the applicant, such letters to be filed with the application.

SEC. 8. Any member of the National Society whose conduct shall be proven disloyal, or detrimental to the National Society, may be dropped by an affirmative vote of nine members of the Executive Board, provided the member has been given a written copy of the charges and an opportunity to appear before the Board with or without counsel.

Also, any member of the National Society who is one year in arrears for dues, after hav-

ing been sent three notices, may be dropped in a like manner, unless retained by consent of the National Executive Board.

ELIGIBILITY LIST.

ARMY AND NAVY.

Women whose ancestors rendered military or naval service in one of the following wars, or belonged to the United States army or navy during this period.

1784-1787, Wyoming Valley disturbances. Pennsylvania.

1786-1787, Shays Rebellion. Massachusetts.

1790-1795, War with the Northwest Indians.

1791-1794, Whiskey Insurrection in Pennsylvania.

1798-1800, War with France.

1799, Fries Insurrection in Pennsylvania.

1801-1805, War with Tripoli.

1806, Burr Conspiracy.

1806, Sabine Expedition. Louisiana.

1807, Naval affair in Chesapeake Bay.

1808, Embargo troubles. Lake Champlain.

1811, United States Frigate President, engaged the British ship "Little Belt" on her claim of right to search.

1811-1813, War with the Northwest Indians.

1812, Florida or Seminole War.

1813, Peoria Indian War. Illinois.

1813-1814, Creek Indian War. Alabama.

1814, Commodore Patterson's Expedition against La Fittes Pirates.

1812-1815, *War with Great Britain. War of* 1812.

1815, War with the Barbary Powers. March to August, 1815.

CIVIL SERVICE.

Women lineally descended from an ancestor who was constant in loyal service to the United States in the Continental Congress,—or in the legislature of one of the first fifteen States; or as a delegate to the convention

which met in Philadelphia the 25th of May, 1787, and framed the Constitution of the United States, or as a member of the Continental Congress at the date of its approval of the Constitutional Convention, February 21, 1787, to September 13, 1788; or as a delegate to the Convention in any one of the eleven States which ratified the Constitution and organized the Government; or as an elector chosen by the people to make choice of our first President; or in any one of the Legislative, Executive, or Judicial offices of the United States Government from March 4, 1789, to November 2, 1815. Appointive offices, such as treaty delegates and commissioners, recognized by the United States Government, may be included in the eligibility list.

MATERIAL AID.

Women who are lineal descendants of patriots who gave of their substance and strength in loyal service to their country.

ARTICLE IV.

ORGANIZATION.

SECTION 1. The National Society shall consist of all members, active and honorary, who have received a National number. It shall be governed by an Associate Council and an Executive Board.

SEC. 2. The Associate Council shall consist of Presidents of States and their executive officers, not exceeding twelve in number,—the Executive Board of the National Society, Charter Trustees, Chapter Regents, the Honorary Presidents eldest in service in each State, the Chairmen of the Standing Committees, and appointed organizing Presidents. It shall be presided over by the President National. It shall act on all questions presented to it, pertaining to the National Society, *and its decisions shall be final.*

Sec. 3. The Executive Board shall consist of fifteen members, including the Councillor National, the Chairman of the Charter Trustees, and the President's Special Secretary National.

The Executive Board shall transact all business necessary between the meetings of the Associate Council, including action upon all questions which have not been settled by the Associate Council. It shall be compelled to consider all questions presented to it by the Associate Council, and *must* act upon all questions brought before it by any member or any legislative power connected with the Society. No official document legally requiring signature, shall be valid, which is not signed by the President National and the First Vice-President National, and four additional members of this Board. It shall also be empowered to receive and hold gifts, treasures of trust, relics, real estate and properties of any kind, and arrange for the current expenses of the Society by any method approved by the majority of its members. Vacancies on this Executive Board shall be filled by appointment by the Board for the full remainder of the elective term.

Sec. 4. There shall be a Board of five Charter Trustees, whose duty it shall be to protect and report upon the Charter. This Board shall meet at the call of the President National, or of its Chairman. Any act of the Charter Trustees, which is considered by them necessary in relation to the Charter shall be valid if approved by a majority of the Executive Board. Its membership is for life. On the removal of one of its members, the vacancy shall be filled by the four remaining. The first Board consisted of Mrs. Edward Roby, (Chairman); Mrs. William Gerry Slade, Mrs. Louis W. Hall, Mrs. William Tod Helmuth, and Mrs. George B. Woodward.

ARTICLE V.

OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

HONORARY.

Honorary Vice-Presidents National. There shall be eighteen Honorary Vice-Presidents National chosen to represent the eighteen States that were in the Union at the time of the War of 1812.

ACTIVE.

SECTION 1. *President National.* The President National shall preside at all meetings of the Society and shall exercise all the functions of a presiding officer. She shall be a member of all committees; shall direct the work of the Society, and shall enforce a strict compliance and observance of its Constitution. She shall have charge of the seal and be empowered to use it officially, and shall sign all appointments and official documents approved by the Executive Board.

No communication from any officer or member of this Society shall be considered official unless signed by the President National. She shall also be allowed a Special Secretary from among the members of the Society in the place where she resides, whose duties shall be defined by her.

SEC. 2. *First, Second, Third and Fourth Vice-Presidents.* In the absence of the President National, or at her request, the Vice-Presidents in their order, shall assume the duties of the President National.

SEC. 3. *Councillor National.* She shall have a vote in all matters pertaining to the National Society, and shall be an advisory member of the Executive Board.

SEC. 4. *Recording Secretary National.* The Recording Secretary shall record and be custodian of the minutes of every meeting of the National Society, Associate Council and Exec-

utive Board. She shall sign all official documents with the President National, and shall make an annual report to the National Society.

Sec. 5. *Corresponding Secretary National.* This officer shall perform such correspondence and send such notices as shall be ordered by the Executive Board, or requested by the President National.

Sec. 6. *Special Secretary National.* The Special Secretary National shall perform any duties required by the President National.

Sec. 7. *Treasurer National.* The Treasurer National shall collect and have charge of all the funds of the National Society, and deposit the same in such bank as the Executive Board shall approve, in the name of the *National Society of United States Daughters of 1812.* No bills shall be paid unless signed by the President National as authorized by the Executive Board. She shall file vouchers for all receipts and expenditures and shall render a complete report at the annual meeting after the Auditor shall have audited her accounts. Her books shall always be open for examination by members of the Executive Board. No person or persons other than the Treasurer National shall be permitted to receive or hold funds belonging to the National Society, except that, for some specific reason, a substitute shall have been appointed by the Executive Board.

Sec. 8. *Curator National.* The Curator National shall make a list,—which she shall safely preserve—of all relics, gifts and souvenirs kept at the headquarters of the Society, or in the custody of the Executive Board and prepare a history of the same and present it at the annual meeting of the National Society.

Sec. 9. *Historian National.* The Historian National shall prepare and keep the history of the Society, and shall present it as a report at the annual meeting of the National Society.

Sec. 10. *Charter Trustee National.* This office shall be held by the Chairman of the Board of Charter Trustees.

Sec. 11. *Register National.* She shall verify all changes of roll and shall append to each a statement of verification over her signature. She shall file all changes of roll, with all proofs sumbitted with them. She shall keep a register of the names and dates of the election, marriage, resignation, or death of members with their National and State numbers.

Sec. 12. *Auditor.* The duties of the Auditor shall be to audit the books, vouchers and report of Treasurer annually.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Standing Committees shall be formed, when necessary, by the President National, and must be approved by not less than five members of the Executive Board.

Special Committees may be appointed by the President National in the interim of the Board meetings.

ARTICLE VII.

TREASURY.

Section 1. The Treasury of the National Society shall consist of the amount received from the initiation fees and dues of the first seven members in each State hereafter organized and of all members whose names are on the National roll only.

Sec. 2. Fifty cents per member must be paid into the National Society Treasury from each organized State Society Treasury before January first, of each and every year. Payment of these dues at or before the time specified must be made in order to have voice or vote or representation in any business meeting

connected with the Society, providing two notices have been sent to the delinquent State.

SEC. 3. The Treasury may be farther increased by gifts, bequests and the results of entertainments.

ARTICLE VIII.

QUORUM.

A quorum of any meeting pertaining to this Society, shall be those in attendance after equal notice has been sent to each member entitled to such notice.

ARTICLE IX.

BUSINESS HEADQUARTERS.

SECTION 1. The business headquarters shall be in the city where the President National resides, and no business shall be considered valid if conducted elsewhere, unless by majority vote of members present at any meeting of the Executive Board.

SEC. 2. Mail-matter, except that addressed to the President National, sent to the business headquarters, shall be opened there by the person in charge.

SEC. 3. No address on official paper shall be used with the name of the Society, which omits that of the National headquarters.

ARTICLE X.

The Seal of the National Society shall be the Insignia of the National Society surrounded by forty-six stars, and the official name of the National Society, with the motto, "Liberty and Fraternity."

ARTICLE XI.

INSIGNIA AND FLOWER.

SECTION 1. The insignia of the entire Society is a single star—the Star of Hope—resting upon an anchor—the Anchor of Faith.

The center of the star to be blue enamel, and on it the legend, "U. S. D. 1812," in gold. All insignias are to be alike without jewels. The insignia to be suspended on a blue and gray ribbon, one and a half inches long, with a bar pin bearing the name "National Society," or the name of the State in which the member resides. The State or National number, or both may be engraved on back of insignia. Permits for insignia may be issued by the State or National Presidents. Permits for stationery bearing the insignia or name of the Society, or both, will be issued by State or National Presidents.

SEC. 2. The flower of the Society is the white carnation.

ARTICLE XII.

SECTION 1. *Meetings.* The annual meeting of the Associate Council and the annual meeting of the National Society shall be held in the week in which the 26th of April shall occur of each and every year.

Members of the Associate Council may be represented at the annual meeting by their appointees. In addition to those members and possible appointees of absent members, the State Societies may elect alternates to fill any possible vacancies, and the State President (or her appointee) shall have authority, at any time, to fill a vacancy in the delegation from the alternates elected by the State Society for the purpose. The names of appointees and of alternates shall be sent by the State President (or her appointee) to the headquarters of the National Society, not later than four days before the National meeting, in order to receive recognition. Appointees must be residents of the States they represent, except in the case of Army or Navy members, who may represent the State to which they belong.

Sec. 2. The Executive Board of the National Society shall hold its meeting on the week of the 12th of January and October of each year, at such hour and place as may be deemed suitable by the Executive Board. A third meeting shall be held within twenty-four hours of the annual meeting, and as many other meetings as shall be found necessary. It shall also decide where the National meetings shall be held, provided the Associate Council has not made such decision. The President National can call a special meeting at any time, and must do so at the written request of five members of the Executive Board.

Sec. 3. Special meetings of any division of this National Society, or of any committee connected therewith can be called at any time by the President National, or by the written request of five members of the Executive Board, or by fifteen members of the Associate Council, the latter representing at least three States.

ARTICLE XIII.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The present appointments and elections to office of 1901 shall be honored until the expiration of the date of such elections or appointments. Subsequent election or appointment to the Executive Board shall be as follows:

Sec. 1. The President, Second Vice-President, Fourth Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary and Curator shall be as if elected in the odd calendar year. The Registrar shall be appointed by the President and accepted by the National Society Board in the same year.

Sec. 2. The First Vice-President, Third Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treas-

urer, Historian and Auditor shall be as if elected in the even calendar year.

SEC. 3. Councillor National is an appointive office by unanimous consent of the members present at the National Executive Board meeting. The first appointment was for four years.

SEC. 4. Special Secretary National as appointed by the President National and approved by the Executive Board.

SEC. 5. Charter Trustees National for life or resignation. Vacancy in this office shall be filled by the next one on this Charter Trustee Board in the order of election thereto.

SEC. 6. Elections to this Executive Board shall be made in the Associate Council. The three new officers, namely, Fourth Vice-President, Registrar and Auditor, created in 1909, shall serve for a period of three years. All subsequent elections shall be for a period of two (2) years or until their successors are elected, subject to the above rulings.

SEC. 7. *Nomination* shall be by informal ballot, at the annual meeting of the Associate Council. The two names receiving the highest number of votes for each office, shall be candidates for the election.

SEC. 8. *Election* shall be by a majority ballot of those present at the annual meeting of the Associate Council. The names of the offices to be filled to be printed on the ballot, and the names of the candidates and offices to be filled being written and placed in sight for full information of voters.

SEC. 9. Three Tellers shall be appointed by the chair. To these shall be given a registered roll of all who are entitled to vote.

SEC. 10. Newly elected officers shall assume office at the close of the annual meeting, at which they are elected; but sixty days shall be given the retiring officers to pass over all necessary papers to their successors.

ARTICLE XIV.

STATE SOCIETIES.

SECTION 1. Any State having seven members on the National Roll can organize with the authority of the organizing President and the Executive Board. The First President of each State will be appointed for a term of four years by the National Society.

SEC. 2. Each State organizes in its own right, adopts its own seal and by-laws, but accepts and adopts the Constitution and insignia of the National Society. Each State is distinctly independent, elects its own State officers after first appointments expire, regulates its own dues, and disburses its own money, and is a part of the National Society. The name of a State shall be the official name of the National Society with the name of the State added.

SEC. 3. There can be but one State Society of this National Society of United States Daughters of 1812 in each State.

SEC. 4. State Delegates to the annual meeting are the State Officers, or their appointees, or their alternates, who form the Associate Council.

SEC. 5. All communications from any State must be signed by the State President in order to be considered official.

SEC. 6. Chapters may be formed where there are seven members in any one locality, but must be organized under authority of the State Society which is a part of the National Society. Territories, and any place not included as *States* of the United States, shall be formed as United States Chapters with State privileges, excepting the District of Columbia, which shall rank as a State with all the powers and rights of a State, under this Constitution.

Sec. 7. Chapters shall be governed by a series of resolutions.

Sec. 8. When a State Society or United States Chapter is organized, the State President or Chapter Regent sends the following Compact, signed by herself, her State Secretary, and all the members in the immediate locality of the headquarters of said State or Chapter:

"The President and Secretary and Charter members of the National Society of United States Daughters of 1812, State of, (or chapter of).....conform to the Constitution, and agree to enforce the rules and regulations of the Executive Board and Associate Council, and endeavor to promote the interests of the National Society."

Sec. 9. The President and Secretary, by permission of the Executive Board shall send to every newly organized State Society, after the compact of Section 8 of this Article has been received by it, the following certificate of admission:

"By virtue of and subject to the National Society, Associate Council and Executive Board of the United States Daughters of 1812, the Society for the State (or Chapter) of .....has been duly acknowledged,

"
.....
"Secretary National.

"Signed and
"Sealed

"
.....
"President National."

Sec. 10. The Executive Board of the National Society reserves the right to annul any of its appointments if so requested in a petition signed by every member (except that of said appointee) of the State Governing Board. It can also annul any appointments for causes which may obtain the requisite number of signatures of the National Executive Board.

Sec. 11. The National President shall be empowered to make an appointment of State President without waiting for a meeting of the Executive Board, *providing* such an appointment received the requisite number of signatures as per Constitutional requirements.

ARTICLE XV.

AMENDMENTS.

Amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted to the Associate Council at its annual meeting. At the succeeding annual meeting of the Associate Council, they can be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present at the Council meeting, providing notices that amendments are to be acted upon have been sent to each member of the Associate Council.

APPENDED FOR INFORMATION.

DUTIES OF CABINET SECRETARIES.

(Accepted by National Board.)

Each Cabinet Secretary, while holding her office, is considered as the chairman of a committee consisting of the members in her State. She is supposed to make the work she represents part of the business of her State meetings, and have at least fifteen minutes of each meeting devoted to the work. Should she go out of office as State President while holding the position, she shall request the same liberty to call her committee for conference as any other committee chairman. She shall hold her position four years. A full report is expected at each annual meeting, and an entire session will, if possible, be devoted to this branch of the work with discussions. The reports and all data connected with their work shall be written and saved for publication by the Society. Every State President

and every Chapter Regent is urged to send all papers, etc., to the Cabinet Secretary representing the work for which she is appointed.

1. *Secretary of War or Military Events.* The Secretary of War or Military Events shall collect all data relating to the military work of this country during the period of 1784-1815, inclusive. She shall ask for a copy of all papers (referring to this part of the work), which are given at any State or Chapter meeting, and shall carefully preserve the same in convenient form for publication whenever the Society may so desire.

2. *Secretary of Memorials and Grave Markers.* The Secretary of Memorials and Grave Markers shall have charge of all the work pertaining to grave-markers during her term of office. She should keep a record of all points of interest which should be memorialized either by monument or tablet. She shall keep this in a form ready for publication by the National Society, or for information for any State which may desire to be guided in such work, the period covered being 1784-1815.

3. *Secretary of Referees.* The Secretary of Referees shall study any historical problem presented by any member of the Society, and shall answer according to her best ability. The executive, legislative and judicial work are in the hands of the Executive Board, but that Board shall be at liberty to confer with the chairman of Referees if it so desires.

4. *Secretary of Current Events.* The Secretary of Current Events shall collect the data regarding any current events (during the year) which shall materially affect the United States as a nation, either in a Civil, Military or Naval manner. She shall omit from her report anything personal unless it is biographi-

cal, regarding events of the year. She shall keep a copy of all papers referring to this part of the work, and shall file away and keep carefully all papers that are sent to her from any source regarding the same. Her report shall not contain anything pertaining to the Society itself, as all of this is contained in the executive work of the Society.

5. *Secretary of Progress.* The Secretary of Progress shall embody in her report at the annual meeting of the National Society, her own thoughts for any procedure which shall advance the interests of the Society. During the year she shall generously collect the opinions of other members of the National Society and State and Chapter organizations, and shall present them in her report. She shall keep a written account of this and have it ready for reference at any time.

6. *Secretary of Patriotism.* The Secretary of Patriotism shall study into the events of the nation at large and shall keep a written report of her own studies, and any ideas which shall be presented to her, by which we, as a Society, can take part in any patriotic effort for the good of our country. No ways and methods for this work can be given. It must depend largely upon the Secretary herself.

7. *Secretary of Genealogy.* The duties of the Secretary of Genealogy are to collect and keep any genealogical data not already in printed books, and which may come to her through the Society or otherwise, pertaining to those who are eligible to membership under our eligibility clause, or to the ancestors by whom they became eligible, or of the soldiers, sailors, or statesmen or women who were causes or participants of historical events of the period covered. In addition, the genealogy of any child born to any member of the Society while in full membership,

shall be received and registered by this chairman and added to whenever possible, and shall be given to said child at the time it takes up its Junior membership.

8. *Secretary of State.* The Secretary of State shall collect all data regarding the Civil Government of this country during the period 1784-1815 covered by this eligibility. She shall ask for a copy of all papers referring to this part of the work which are given at any meeting of any State and Chapter, and shall carefully preserve the same in a convenient form for publication whenever the Society may so desire. This period being one in which the Civil action was largely the cause of the War, every item is particularly valuable as history.

9. *Secretary of Education.* The duties of the Secretary of Education shall be to study the different phases of education adopted throughout the country during the period that we represent, and to suggest improvements in the present mode of education, particularly patriotic education which makes good citizens. She shall give earnest consideration to this subject, having in view the progress of education in the different States throughout the country, the comparisons, one with another, and the selecting of the best modes to make the best citizens — particularly for women.

10. *Secretary of Biography.* The duties of the Secretary of Biography shall be to collect all items and data of men or women who helped make history during the period of 1784-1815, represented by this Society. She shall collect all data relating to the same, particularly any that may come to her knowledge which is yet unpublished, with items and anecdotes, and all such papers which may be written (while in manuscript) and arrange the same in order for publication.

11. *Secretary of Philanthropy.* The duties of the Secretary of Philanthropy shall be to study the various methods of relief during the period embraced by our eligibility. She shall particularly study the best methods for a Society like ours to employ during war and disaster, not interfering or encroaching on the work of the Red Cross. She shall devise ways and means for doing relief work among our own members and also for those who are eligible and needy and are not members. Shall devise ways and means for the "Home," which is part of our Charter and Constitutional work. Shall assist and advise in the best way to raise money for all the above work.

12. *Secretary of the Navy.* It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Navy to collect all possible data regarding the navy during the period which we represent. Its depletion after the Revolution, its building up when required, its great achievements, and to get a list of those engaged therein, and as far as possible of those impressed into British service, and to plan out ways and means by which we can help the navy of to-day to be the finest navy in the world.

At present, appointments to these Secretaryships must be from State Presidents.

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